



# Yucca Weekly Update



**Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona**

**Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.**

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**Glendoberfest Tonight!** [Read more.](#)



**Catlin Court Home Tour, Nov. 8**

**Holiday Open House & Catlin Court Historic Home Tour – Nov. 8.** Mark your calendar to attend Downtown Glendale's Annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Participating shops in Old Towne and Catlin Court will be decorated and filled with gifts, decorations, furniture, home decor and all your needs for the holidays! Historic Downtown Glendale is filled with more than 90 one-of-a-kind boutiques and specialty shops where you're sure to find that perfect gift for everyone on your list, as well as great eateries when you need to take a break from shopping! In addition, many shops will offer refreshments, special promotions, gifts and prizes.

While you're in downtown Glendale, you'll also want to check out Catlin Court's Historic Home Tour. Haven't you driven through the Historic District and wondered what the beautiful bungalow homes looked like inside? This is your chance to find out! Eleven homeowners will open their doors for the Home Tour that day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the event will feature free horse-drawn carriage rides and a vintage car show. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 the day of the event. Tickets are available for purchase at Glendale's Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., Suite 140, or on the Web at [www.catlincourthometour.com](http://www.catlincourthometour.com).

**Western Area Regional Park.** The City Council approved the award of bid for construction of a ramada pavilion and picnic area amenities for the Western Area Regional Park, this week.

Moving into phase three of the park's plan, this construction is focused in the southeast portion of the 81-acre regional park, located at 83rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road. The construction, about 10 acres total, will entail a large group ramada pavilion and picnic area that will accommodate approximately 750 people. The ramada pavilion design consists of 10 individual ramadas, complete with adjoining barbecue facilities. Also included within this project are several active recreation components, such as three lighted sand volleyball courts, a shaded themed playground and a tot lot. In addition to the active recreation components, the landscape plan includes xeriscape, with low-water-use indigenous plant material, seven acres of open turf and an information kiosk. Construction will begin late November, and the project is estimated to be complete in the spring of 2009.

[Click here](#) for more information on the Western Area Regional Park.

**Boards & Commissions.** Congratulations to the following Yucca District residents who were recently appointed to serve on Glendale advisory boards and commissions: Cynthia Eddy – Arts Commission; Ron Cohoe – Aviation Advisory Commission; Shirley Galvez – Commission on Persons with Disabilities; and John Kolodziej – Planning Commission.

Glendale's 18 boards and commissions assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact the community. These volunteer citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific Glendale projects and issues and then forward their recommendations to the City Council.

For more information [click here](#) or call the Council Office at 623-930-2249. Board and commission members must reside in Glendale.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MONTH

**The West Valley Advocacy Center.** The West Valley Advocacy Center is the comprehensive, multi-disciplinary team of professionals who work together, under one roof, to provide coordinated services to victims of family violence.

The core concept is to provide **one place** where victims can go to talk to an advocate or receive a variety of crisis services. Victims are often required to travel from location to location to seek services that are scattered through a city or county. They have to tell their story over and over again to officials. Needless to say, the criminal justice system unintentionally makes it easy for victims to become frustrated and ultimately give up.

[Read more.](#)



### West Valley Advocacy Center One Place to:

- plan for safety
- talk to a police officer
- meet with a prosecutor
- obtain a 911 emergency cell phone
- receive medical assessment
- get assistance with obtaining an Order of Protection
- receive information on shelter and community resources
- obtain short-term counseling services
- receive domestic violence education
- get an explanation of their rights as a victim of crime
- discuss legal aid options
- get help with transportation

**America Recycles Day Cell Phone Collection.** Time to toss those old cell phones for a good cause! The city of Glendale is celebrating America Recycles Day, Nov. 15, with a special cell phone recycling program for the month of November that will provide phones to victims of domestic violence.

The public is encouraged to drop old cell phones off at Jobing.com Arena at Gate 3 on the Northwest corner of the building, any of Glendale's three public libraries, Glendale Visitor Center or Qwest at Westgate City Center in Glendale.

After the cell phones are collected, the West Valley Advocacy Center will arrange for the phones to be recycled. Once the cell phones are refurbished, the phones will become available for victims of stalking and domestic violence.

## Around Town

**Landscape Workshops.** Join us on Saturday, November 1 in the Glendale Xeriscape Demonstration Garden, located at the south entrance of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

- **8-9:15 a.m. – Walk and Talk in the Garden.** Ask garden author, Mary Irish, garden related questions during a guided garden walk.
- **9:15-10:30 a.m. – Cactus Care 101.** Learn about proper cacti and succulent care from the Cactus Doctor.
- **10:30-11:45 a.m. – Pruning of Trees and Shrubs.** Learn proper timing and techniques for pruning your trees and shrubs from Jo Miller, Water Conservation Program Manager.

[Read more.](#) Call (623) 930-3760 to register.

**Home Preservation Forum.** If you or someone you know is facing a foreclosure and would like to learn more about the financial options available, then make plans to attend a "Home Preservation Forum" from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3 in Glendale's City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will provide information for homeowners in Glendale to help them preserve their homes and neighborhoods. During the forum's panel discussion, attendees will have their questions answered by experts in the industry from HUD/FHA, Credit Counseling Services and Real Estate Task Force. [Click here](#) to visit Glendale's Foreclosure Information Web page.

**"Joining the Glendale Team" Workshop.** The city of Glendale will host a "Joining the Glendale Team" Workshop on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 6 p.m. in Room B-3 of City Hall, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. The Human Resources Department has created a series of workshops offered throughout the year, which are designed to orient potential employees with Glendale's hiring process. The workshop is free of charge for anyone, Glendale resident or otherwise. For additional information, call Glendale's Human Resources Department at (623) 930-2270. [Read more.](#)

**Health, Safety & Green Fair.** Focus on health, safety and going green from 10 a.m.-2p.m. on Saturday, November 15th at Raymond S. Kellis High School, 8990 W. Orangewood Avenue (91 Ave., just north of Glendale Ave.)

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